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Veterans Invade Academy As Faculty Members

Bottom O' the Afternoon

By BLUE LARUE

Well, well, here we are back for another nine months filled with demerits, homework, and interesting assembly speeches. The old school looks about the same—
man with the shiny dome is back, the Public Speaking (?) class is still there, and the pressure in the Study Hall water cooler is still 1/10,000th

Blue LaRue of a gram per square foot . . . When asked why he is so big and strong, Jones had only this to say: "I've smoked reefer for years." Lance silent on subject . . . Just ask Dickerson and Blackie about the Daytona Beach Boardwalk . . . If the Shmo is so wonderful, why can't it do homework and pay off demerits? . . . Milam is the just M.A.D. about Georgia . . . It is now fairly obvious that we paid a quarter for the songbooks to improve our knowledge of the words to that immortal classic, "ABCDEE" . . . Has Mr. Saged decided to monopolize the assembly room this year? . . . We don't get to sleep through the other faculty members' orations? . . . Horn's hat size is now 12½ since he talked the Big Man out of five demerits. This was heretofore thought to be an impossiblefeat . . . Orchids to the faculty for suggesting that shirt tails be left out. Still I think every student would look better in shorts . . . Oh, you lucky Sophomores! Being given that extra course in Public Speaking makes me glad I'm older . . . What has happened to the trigger-happy boys who shot off the cannon last year? Still in jail? . . . Matt Wills stars for Varsity, Odds on Ryan game soar . . . Seigenthaler was traced back to a tribe of Ubangis in South Africa . . . Seniors continue to wonder: Where HAD Lord Randal been? . . . What has happened to the trigger-happy boys who shot off the cannon last year? Still in jail? . . . Matt Wills stars for Varsity, Odds on Ryan game soar . . . Seigenthaler was traced back to a tribe of Ubangis in South Africa . . . Seniors continue to wonder: Where HAD Lord Randal been?



WISE



HOOD



BLACKBURN

Key Club Elects Nine New Members

Recently chosen for membership in the Key Club were Franklin Jarman, Matt Wills, Harold Bauer, Dick Carpenter, Alan Cooper, Eddie Deek, John Hollins, Togy Jones, and George Daniels. In order to be eligible for membership, boys must be in the top third of their class their previous school year and must be of outstanding character. There were 120 boys on the members. No freshman is eligible to become a member. Membership is limited to 25.

The aims of the club are to promote good citizenship, to encourage needed improvements at a round school. Some of this year's objectives are to erect lights on the front steps for the benefit of people coming to night games, to obtain the many trophies now in the library and to put them in cases in the hall, and to put a water cooler in the building.

Every year national and state conventions are held. This year the national convention is to be held in Washington, D. C.

This year officers, who were Sharpshooter, Don Wade, vice-president; Buzz Davis, secretary; Andy Spickard, treasurer, treas.

This marks the Key Club's third year at M.B.A.

Students Urged To Attend Games

The school spirit of the boys at M.B.A., as seen from an outsiders point of view, is judged largely by the cheering section at the football games.

This year eight boys have volunteered to be cheerleaders. This is a much larger and better organized group than the scream team in recent years. It is the desire of each boy to be present at every game possible. There should be a group large enough to charter buses for games and to all away games.

M.B.A. is the smallest school in the AA division and it is necessary for us to have a greater percentage of students at the games in order to compare favorably with the cheering sections of the larger schools.

If you expect the team to play its best, you must do your best to support it.

So it is up to you, the students of M.B.A., to back your cheerleaders and your team to the utmost and give them your fullest cooperation.

Todd On Drink

This story was told to me by Jack Todd and I pass it on to you.

"I had twelve bottles of whiskey in my cellar and my girl told me to empty the contents of each and every bottle down the sink or else. I did as she said and then proceeded with the unpleasant task."

"I withdrew the cork from the first bottle and poured the contents down the sink with the exception of one glass which I drank. I extracted the cork from the second bottle and did likewise, with the exception of one glass which I drank. I then withdrew the cork from the third bottle and emptied the good old booze down the sink. I took one glass which I drank. I pulled the cork from the fourth bottle and poured the contents down the sink. I then corked the glass which I drank. Then I corked the sink with the glass bottled the drink and corked the sink again."

"When I had everything emptied I steadied the house with one hand and counted the bottles and corks and glasses with the other. To be sure I counted them again and when they came by I had seventy-four and as the house came along I counted them again and finally corked all the houses and one bottle and cork and glasses counted except one house and one bottle which I drank."

O'Donnell Seeks Sports Stories

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43 New Students As Fall Term Opens

As September 8th rolled around M.B.A. opened its doors to 189 students for its 142 consecutive year of school. This year there were 145 old boys and 43 new ones including: John Ackley, Richard Anderson, Louis Bachette, Philip Barnes, Fred Blackwood, Christopher Blackwood, Simon Britain, Tommy Cate, Denzil Causey, William Coles, Thomas Conner, Hailan Craig, Hollis Derry, Roy Ellington, Phillip Farnsworth, Harry Frost, William Hoffman, Percy Jackson, Claude Jarman, Jay Johnson, Role Flightboat, Don Massey, James Martin, Ross Miller, Albert Nisley, James Perce, William Pfeiffer, Glenn Plummer, Charles Potter, Somers Randolph, George Reynolds, Wade Riley, Gomer Seal, Don Stovorn, John Truill, Louis Todd, William Ward, William Watts, Ralph Watts, John Davis, Robert Dunn, and Don Ignatz.

Three Teachers New To M.B.A.

In order that all the students may know more about the new teachers, Blackburn, Hood, and Wise, the Bell Ringer is presenting the following biographical sketches.

MR. WISE by Bob Parrish

This year we have with us at M.B.A. Mr. Henry A. Wise who is teaching freshman algebra and plane geometry.

Mr. Wise graduated from Obion High School at Obion, Tennessee in 1933, after which he attended Lambuth College at Jackson, Tenn., where he played center on the varsity football team. He then taught for a year in the Obion County Schools. After two years teaching in the armed forces Mr. Wise attended Vanderbilt University School of Engineering for one year, receiving his B. S. from Peabody College in March, 1948. He took two quarters of graduate work in math before coming to M.B.A. this fall.

Mr. Wiss is assistant coach of junior varsity football at M.B.A. He resides with H. R. Benagh on Leeland Lane.

MR. HOOD by David Routon

Among the three new teachers at M.B.A. this fall, we have, replacing Miss Jean McCandless, who is teaching freshman and some senior English, Mr. Hood. Miss McCandless, who joined the faculty of M.B.A. in the fall of 1947, has gone to Florida where she is doing research work. Mr. Hood, we are sure, will be able to take over and do an excellent job this year.

Mr. Hood is a native of Nashville. He was born here and it was here that he received his high school training. After graduating from Central High in 1941, he began studies at Peabody College for bachelor of science degree. However, the war interrupted his college work and he joined the Marine Corp.

He became a staff sergeant assigned to naval intelligence. It was serving in this capacity that he spent fully a year and a half overseas, thus spending some time both in the United States and in the Pacific.

After leaving the armed forces, he continued work for his B. S. degree at Peabody. While at college he did so outstandingly as to be selected president of the entire student body. It was last June that he received his degree and graduated. However, while he serves on the faculty he is also working for his master's degree in psychology, which he hopes to receive in the near future.

Although this is his first experience at teaching at a prep school we feel certain that Mr. Hood will become an important part of the administration of M.B.A.

MR. BLACKBURN

One of the most important events in the life of George Meredith (Continued on Page 4)

ALUMNI NEWS

by John Hooker

Nelson, and Bill Bailey who have gone to Seminary.

Some of the Academy's fine graduates of last year are going to Vandy where Harry Corson, Al Williams, and Walter Noel are Phi Delta Theta.

Tom Fox spends most of his time at the hedge drinking milk. Bill Calton has been having quite a fling with a certain young Miss by the name of Nancy Denney.

Al Whitson tells me that M.B.A.'s present team is almost as good as the one he played on, but not quite.

Those two stups Bernard Werthan and Thomas Kennedy have gone to M.I.T. for a little rest.

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About the Honor System

I've been sitting at my desk for thirty minutes trying to write a few original words about the Honor System. The wastebasket is filled with rejected attempts; perhaps I haven't had enough experience at writing editorials. Finding myself up a blind alley, I've decided to just jot down my personal feelings about the System.

In 1945 I saw the Honor System refused by the student body. This refusal was due to several causes; however, the chief reason for the rejection was that students felt reporting offenders to an Honor Council was tattle-tale.

This rejection brought forth much comment and serious discussion of the System: its pros and cons. Then in January; 46 only 25 boys voted against it. M.B.A. had its Honor System. Although the System has had a marked effect on life at M.B.A., I have always felt it was never so successful as it could have been. The majority of the students, myself included, have failed to either warn or report offenders. At times teachers have violated their share of the agreement by maintaining a police-like watch over their classes, or by using the Students' pledge of Honor to discover who broke this school rule or that one.

As I see it, the Honor System is a mutual trust. If the System is to succeed there must exist a feeling of trust among everyone actively connected with the Academy. When a student leaves a book lying somewhere around school he should expect to find it there upon his return: if a teacher leaves his room he must trust his students not to cheat. The Honor System can not work any other way. It is absurd for a teacher to ask a class not to cheat when he questions their Honor at every turn. Likewise one can hardly expect the students to trust each other when a member of the football squad can't leave anything of value in his locker.

In short the Honor System boils down to this: "While a member of the student body at M.B.A. I will not lie, cheat, or steal."

Out-of-Order

September 10 shortly after the morning assembly had begun an M.B.A. institution was destroyed. The shouting of "Who's right?" with its reassuring response "M.B.A." had been banned. The reason given: that it was "Out-of-order." School Spirit can not be turned on at a pep meeting and off for the rest of the week. School spirit must be spontaneous. Perhaps shouting in study hall is out-of-order, but a school without spirit is not only out-of-order, its on its way out.

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Class News

Grade School News

The Microbes are off to another slam-bang school year. They are, as usual, studying 13 hours a day and getting 2 hours sleep a night.

The football team sweats it out the afternoon under the coaching of Mr. Horn. The most familiar thing heard at the football field comes from Sambo Harwell and we quote, "Come on fellas don't let it get you down, we can't all be good."

Most of the grade school turned out to watch the Varsity smear West. What that didn't show up at the game were recovering from the rides at the fair.

The views shown above do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the prison board.

this year? "FESS" YOUNGER has already received the medal and a hand-made trophy for "Best in Show-up". Mrs. BILLIE KING, DILARD ADAMS, WADE RILEY, or JOHN LYTTON will be in the running.

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Junior News

Two hundred some-odd-and I do mean some odd-baldy eyed gentlemen staggered into Study Hall several weeks ago, thus beginning the '48-'49 school year. After a brief welcoming speech, Headmaster Sager promptly read the first news flash and all the more liberal Juniors found themselves with gobs of time on their hands. Already such characters as Bill King are booked solid till Easter.

Once more the fragrance of the newly mown grass drifts over the campus, subtly announcing to one and all the return of football season. Matt Wills went out and got his new team. He was in charge of the soap. Matt got into one practice game though and was so light and fast that in the first half he was all alone. He then took to the doctor, that long to gather him up.

A mass migration may be observed moving every afternoon from the dear Alma Mater to the 2nd Central Gymnasium (the pool hall), a friendly establishment devoted to the advancement of youth, sport, and the proprietor's bank account. And the proprietors' bank account died as they display their flawless form in a scratch match at the rock shack are Sideocket Coble and Three Cushion Wood.

Bobbi Lantz wants to know why he tries to escape from study hall by drilling holes in the study wall.

(Due to circumstances beyond my control it is Monday and Tuesday for the News to be in. More next time.)

Your inmates
Flash! Last minute Lester Gooch. Flash! Last minute Billie Wills opened his eyes!

Sophomore News

Well, it's another year, and some of the old-timers are back from the war. Welcome back HAROLD BAUER, JOHN HOLLMINS, and BILL STONE discussing what a good time SHE had on HIS vacation.

Have you all heard?—TOGY (BEEG-MAN) JONES took first place in the Olympic weight lifting contest. Congratulations, Mr. Jones.

Seen up in Hop-town the other Friday night were BOBBY RIPPY, BEN MOORE, DICK CARPENTER, ROBERT STRoud, GILBERT THOMPSON, and many others.

Speaking of mental exhaustion, Ward Lovell, Dickie Miller, Lee Lance, and David Adams always look trim and alert after a night in Mrs. B's English class.

Little Billy Price really played a wonderful game against West. It seems that he won't be the only one to be looking for his name.

Congratulations to the cheerleaders for being responsible for plenty of fun at all the games. I think Bill Blodde needs a new pair of vocal chords.

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Speaking of mental exhaustion, Ward Lovell, Dickie Miller, Lee Lance, and David Adams always look trim and alert after a night in Mrs. B's English class.

To quote her, "Why ge whiz boys, who ever heard tell of sleep?" J. Hooker says that he managed to keep his grades in the two digit class so far.

Challenge of the month. Does anyone of same mind dare to risk their life and car in the race with death? Is our own Franklinerman, Ernest Franklin, or Charlie Blackard owners of a speedy pile of junk. Already left in the dust is one 1947 Oldsmobile. No responsibilities taken.

Clean the roads! If you see a black streak going through town, it's not the road star: it's "FESS" HOOD in his "Old Alley Racer." He says it will do something like 95 m.p.h., but come now, "Fess up" "FESS."

The question of the day is—who

is going to try for demerit medalist

"Hoots From the Owl's Nest"

Hoots From the Owl's Nest back again, ain't you sorry? Well, so is this column.

Shadee, Billy Edwards and Harry Wallace! Here's more eggs from the nest in your eye.

Let's go no further. Give a rousing big hand to the two blind butts seen here—keep right: Right end, Joe Erwin and left end, Huston Horn. One thing! They're complaining the cheerleaders make them sit down. They don't even hear the radio up there. Their theme song—"Tea-D for two."

Get-Well-Quick to Bill Estes, who was quite receiving end of a eye when he and Imman Fox got off on the wrong track doing the "Old Locomotive" at the cheerleading practice before the T.I.S.

Who's the unfortunate someone who Moor: (I've been to Florida) Milano is so bad about? J. G. is simply up and says she don't want no "more."

Open letter to cheerleaders: "You boys (You too Seigenthaler) are all right, fine boys, but for Heaven's sake can anybody keep in time except Billy Sned?

Signed,

Conrad Allen.

"Brilliant" Lance and Dist Smith have just come up with an entirely new method for engraving cheat notes on your glasses. Sall Lance and Smith, it does beats the old fashioned wrist radio by a long shot!

Earhart says his old girl friend was quite a sight when I Am I You desire to see? Billy Joe?

Joe White sure has Mr. Blackburn baffled, he doesn't know whether Joe is going with Patty Ann or Moore Miller.

Signed,

Your Fine Feathered Friend.

Exchanges

Santa Claus is the only guy in the world who can run around with a bag all night and not get talked about. West Wind.

She's something like an ostrich. She carefully hides the things she knows.

But not the things she's got.

West Wind.

Man in a restaurant, upon ordering a cup of coffee, tried to start a conversation with the waitress. "Looks like rain doesn't it?"

Waitress: "Well, it tastes like coffee doesn't it?"—West Wind.

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M.B.A. Beats T.L.S. As Team**"MAROON HIGHLIGHTS"**

By RASCOE DAVIS

Highlights of a Half Century Of Football

by Jim Brent

In two of the biggest upsets among team members seen on the M.B.A. courts since Bobby Walker blazed his way into the top two position in the Autumn of '46, Buzz Davis defeated Fontaine McDaniels and Inman Fox to gain the final two teams to compete in the Fall tennis squad. McDaniels after winning the first set and holding a five-two lead in the second, had to give up two sets to defeat Davis to the semis. Buzz subdued flashy little Inman Fox, who was admittedly a little off his game, 6-4, 6-3, and no doubt proved an invaluable member to the team. The spectators seem to concur that Buzz's two outstanding qualities are his lob against the baseline and the consistency with which he puts overheads away.

Kentucky would do well to incorporate a system by which a "K.S.S.A.A." council chooses the officials for the games in the ensuing year at the basis of each team during the regular season. If the officiating in the M.B.A.-Hopkinsville game was typical of the referring done in all football games in Kentucky, we can feel sure that step will be necessary to prevent rioting among the crowds watching the games.

After the Big Red's 28-0 rout of a hilly-tooted West High Blue Jay eleven, it's a one-point underdog to Litchfield, the next "Lititzing" should put the Maroons among the top three teams in the state.

The Grapevine has it that Erhardt will leave school in January to attend Georgia Tech.

No games may be played after Thanksgiving according to a new ruling made by the T.S.S.A.A. Accordingly as the Scarlet-Black game cannot be held on the same day as the Little Rock-M.B.A. game (Thanksgiving day) it must be held before Thanksgiving. Since everyone participating in the Scarlet-Black game immediately becomes ineligible to play in a high-school play, no one from either Isaac Litton or M.B.A. will be represented in this tilt.

Congratulations! Eight new cheerleaders did one of the last jobs of leading cheers at M.B.A., we have ever seen at the Hoptown-M.B. A. tilt. Almost half of the students in the school had turned up. Briskette, however, had turned up. Briskette, however, had turned up. The Maroon-West game as the cheering done was much inferior to that of the Little Rock and also the tilt of the West cheering. Each period seemed almost embarrassed to let himself go and really shout for the team. School spirit is nothing to be ashamed of.

Much talk and little action has been the result of the suggestion that M. B. A. have a rifle team. Such sharpshooters as Ernest Franklin and Bill Blackie would make an M. B. A. team tops in Nashville.

Our warmest thanks to Mr. Sauer and a much harassed and mangled Ladd Motor Coach Lines division for their services to us to Hontown and back. We feel sure that if a bus were chartered for the Tullahoma game the trip would prove equally successful.

Highlights of a Half Century Of Football**Cooties Also Use Split-T**

Coach Henry "Boo" Hackman, head man of the junior varsity "Cooties," expects great things of his split T formation game this year. With one of the largest turnouts he has had in his 12 years, the M.B.A. team took the field, and from that year to the present date the Big Red has been known throughout the South as one of the gridiron powers of the area.

As any records which might have existed on the 1898-99 teams are undecided, with Bobby Lane and Claude Jarmas viewing for the ownership, Jackie Davis, Sonny Randolph, Dick Austin, Don Massey, and Glenn Plummer working in the halfback posts; and Jimmy Pelletier and Dillard Adams in the heavy fullback role.

For the next 25 years the teams had their ups and downs, but began to gain a reputation for their keen competition, good sportsmanship and continued to play a good brand of football until the coming of Robbie Worrall in 1925 gave the Maroon team a hope.

In his first season as a regular he ran wild agains almost every opponent and in 1926 he was joined by a host of other stars to help him in the M.B.A. two best years of football—one state championship and one southern championship. In these two "golden" years they were unbeaten, and unscorched on it sixteen games and scored a total of 859 points, 89 of which were in the winning defeat of the Knox High School East Tennessee Champions in 1925. After the 1927 season had drawn to a close they were elected southern champs by a poll of sports writers.

Although these teams overshadowed those which immediately followed them, the school continued to produce outstanding talents, but the depression caused a decrease in the number of students enrolled and consequently a decline of the Maroon athletic teams. In 1934 coach Chet Hardin, who had started home in 1926, resigned his post and was replaced by present coach Howard Allen, who was another M.B.A. alumnus (class of 1926) and attended Murray State Teachers College for four years, where he had gained a reputation as the best quarterback in the school's history.

Soon the Big Red once again took its place in the limelight of the state, in 1938 Phil Cutchin, assisted by halfback Frost Greck, fullback Tommy Owen and tackle Earl Radford, and his mates a city championship. His fine performances was chosen Most Valuable Player in the city. The Maroons continued to click and in 1940, coach Allen, who had been called one of the best in our history they annexed the city title with a record of seven wins, two ties, and no defeats.

After the '41 tilt, when they were rated third in the state, came the war, and athletics everywhere took a back seat. However, in 1944 another outstanding eleven was produced, and with Al Whitson as the Captain, Al Whitson chose all city, all state, all southern, and most valuable player in the city league, was favored to capture the state title, but was beaten by East in the season's finale causing them to lose the championship. Two years later the potentially great team had its hopes for a third championship dashed by a 0 to 14 tilt with Du Pont, but halfback Billy Joe Ehrhart set a new scoring record. Jack Sparks was chosen as the all-state team. Bill Ezell was elected most valuable player, and Boz Ezell was named to the all-city team. Last season, though the team was anemic, the Maroons had Wade and Ezell on the all-city team and were rated third in Nashville by Dr. E. E. Lichtenhaus.

This year, Coach Allen has for (Continued on Page 4.)

Points For DuPont Maroons Take West, 28-0**Hopkinsville First Victim of M.B.A.**

The potent M.B.A. Maroons opened their 1948 football season on September 18 with the Hopkinsville game. The Maroons won at 4500 watching Coach Howard Allen's version of the split T formation rack up a 21-14 victory on the losers' field.

The scoring got under way early when on their sixth play from scrimmage, the Big Red tallied.

Bobby Worrall ran it over from the two and Charley Blackard passed to Bobby Bonar for the extra.

Midway through the second period, Wilbur Creighton went over from the one to climax an eighty yard drive.

Blackard failed to carry the extra over.

Billy Joe Ehrhart got through the second quarter netted seven points and tied the ball game.

Excessive fumbling plagued the outlook ahead and seems eager for their initial contest.

At present the backfield spots are undecided, with Bobby Lane and Claude Jarmas viewing for the ownership. Jackie Davis, Sonny Randolph, Dick Austin, Don Massey, and Glenn Plummer working in the halfback posts; and Jimmy Pelletier and Dillard Adams in the heavy fullback role.

Through the exertions of Worrall, where he, Joe Worrall and Ralph Williams are still trying for a first string part, the other spots are probably settled. On the ends are Eddie Morris and John Hollins; at tackles, Ben Moon and Cossell Sloan; and John Lytton and Charles Brooks have slugged it out with a large group for the starting guard berths.

Rounding out the squad for the Maroon team are: fullbacks, Dickie Moran, Roger Blackwood, Herman Blackwood, John Howell, Bob Edmunds, Bobby Stroud, Wade Kirby, Eddie Brink, Tommie Cole, Jimmie Anderson, Bill Puryear, Bobby Rippey, and Charlie McDaniel, out at the present with a broken arm.

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outnumbered and outscored, it was never outgunned. The Maroon game ended clinching to help the Maroon attack when needed, and Charley Blackard rammed the extra over.

The Maroon bages the ball game almost immediately after power when Jimmy Ray scored his second TD of the night. Ehrhart added his second extra.

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The Maroon team was offside and no penalty was called.

The entire Maroon team performed creditably, while Davis and J. Adams performed the main ball game.

Character Catches — LARRY BLUM — by Bill Estes

Heading the list of announcers at WMAK, Nashville's newest radio station, is Larry Blum, who is currently reporting MBA football games and a number of other important prep school contests.

Blum's pin-point coverage of gridiron tilts has brought him local fame among the armchair quarterbacks. Responsible for his accurate announcing is his intimate knowledge of football which he has acquired from close observation in the past decade.

Blum was born in Nashville and has lived here all his life. He spent his high school days at West End High and is now in his senior year at the University of Tennessee, where he is majoring in economics and working on the HUSTLER, the campus paper.

Blum's radio career started very early. While in high school his public speaking teacher introduced him to announcer WMAK, who later found a place for him in the station doing spot commentaries. After holding this position for about three and a half years he became sports director for the recently established WMAK studios.

Blum labels the Maroon eleven as the top team in the Mid-State area. Even though the Big Red encounters the power laden Litton and Springfield outfits, he believes that the Maroon eleven based on the tricky split-T formation will overcome any general weakness and guide MBA to an undefeated season.

While giving credit where credit is due, Blum tabbed Coach Howard Allen as the first prep school coach in the state. This statement is upheld by Allen's ability to turn out winning teams.

Blum definitely approves of the early training program which is enacted at MBA. Capitalizing on the strong body, sound mind axiom, he believes that the players will have greater advantage over most high school age boys because of the closer and better individual attention he receives, not only in the classroom but on the athletic field as well.

Although Blum has not definitely outlined his remaining career, he wants to continue his work in radio in the field of sports.

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Personality
of the Month

DON WADE

By GILBERT TEMPLETON

To start the season off with a bang we have chosen as our personality of the month one of the most popular and outstanding boys at M.B.A.

He can be none other than Don Wade. Don excels on the football field, the baseball diamond, the basketball court, the tennis court, and in the class room.

Lets look back on his record at M.B.A. Don entered in '45 and started right off by playing first string on the cootie football team. The boys thought so much of him they elected him president of the class. In '46 again he was president of his class and played first string junior varsity football. He was also a member of the school committee. In '47 he played junior football and basketball and was a charter member of the key club. In '48 he was vice-president of his class, played varsity basketball and was a member of the monogram club. This year he is vice-president of the Key Club and is middleman on the varsity. No telling what all he will do the rest of this year.

Don's favorite sport is football as it could be anything else. His favorite food is country ham and his favorite subject is History. (Although I don't see why.) He said the hardest subject is Physics.

Don is noted for his broad smile and winning way. He is even bit of a sport, gentleman and scholar. Mr. and Mrs. Wade, M.B.A. salutes you for having as fine a son as Don.

Good luck Don wherever you go and in whatever you do.

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on a rope. As he started up the stairs he was heard to remark, "She'll never hear me in this infernal din."

"I guess I lost another pupil," said the professor, as his glass eye fell down the drainpipe.

Then there was the woman who was so dumb she thought a goblet was a sailor's child.

Accused by a friend of insulting the preacher, Milan answered this: "What did I do? All I asked was for a good prayer for my flailing ribs. Last week he prayed for all the loose livers."

Miss Mc: "If I say 'I have went' it is wrong, isn't it, Marion?"

Mrs. Mc: "Yes'm, I guess so."

Mrs. Mc: "Why?"

Marion: "Because you ain't went yet."

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